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TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, DM

SUBJ: COTONOU BRIDGE/DAM - CALL FOR PREQUALIFICATION  
OF FIRMS

ABIDJAN FOR REDSO

1. ON 3 JAN WE RECEIVED, AS ATTACHMENT TO NOTE FROM DAHOMEAN FORNMIN, PREQUALIFICATION NOTICE TO FIRMS WHICH MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FINANCED PORTION OF COTONOU BRIDGE/DAM PROJECT. THAT PORTION EMBRACES REPAIRS TO EXISTING BRIDGE AND CONSTRUCTION OF DAM AT LAGOON MOUTH. NOTICE SAID FIRMS FROM ALL COUNTRIES EXCEPT SOUTH AFRICA, RHODESIA, AND PORTUGAL WERE ELIGIBLE FOR PREQUALIFICATION TO BID ON THIS PART OF PROJECT. FOREIGN MINISTRY'S NOTE ACCOMPANYING NOTICE WAS SENT TO ALL EMBASSIES ACCREDITED TO DAHOMEY (WHICH INCLUDES SOVIET, CHINESE AND N KOREAN RESIDENT MISSION AS WELL AS SEVERAL COMMUNIST ONES HEADQUARTERED ELSEWHERE IN THE AREA).

2. WE BELIEVE THAT THE ONLY COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR ADB CONTRACT ARE THOSE INCLUDED IN CODE 935 OF AID GEOGRAPHIC CODE BOOK,  
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UNLESS AID SHOULD AGREE TO AN EXCEPTION PER SECTION 6.04 OF

OUR LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE DAHOMEAN GOVT WHICH STATES  
"EXCEPT AS AID MAY AGREE IN WRITING, GOODS AND SERVICES  
PROCURED FOR THE PROJECT, BUT NOT FINANCED UNDER THE LOAN,  
SHALL HAVE THEIR SOURCE AND ORIGIN IN COUNTRIES INCLUDED IN  
CODE 935". ALTHOUGH WE CONSIDER IT UNLIKELY THAT AN INELIGIBLE  
FIRM WILL EVEN APPLY FOR PREQUALIFICATION, WE INTEND DISCUSS MATTER  
IN LOW KEY AT WORKING LEVEL OF FORNMIN IN ORDER TO HEAD OFF ANY  
POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING.

3. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. REDSO -- PLEASE CONFIRM THAT OUR INTERPRETATION  
OF PROJECT AGREEMENT IS CORRECT (WE WILL DELAY FORNMIN PENDING  
ADVICE).

B. AID/W - ENSURE THAT PREQUALIFICATION NOTICE FOR ADB PORTION  
OF PROJECT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN DEPT OF COMMERCE "BUSINESS DAILY"  
AND OTHERWISE ADVERTISED. (FINAL DEADLINE LISTED FOR SUB-  
MISSION OF PREQUALIFICATION DOCUMENTS IF 3 FEB 1975.

C. IF TEXT OF PREQUALIFICATION NOTICE IS NEEDED FOR PUBLICITY  
IN US., AID/W SHOULD INFORM US ASAP.  
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